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TAGS: CASC, FR, SREF, CVIS, UR,  
SUBJ: ROSTROPOVICH, MSTISLAV AND VISHNEVSKAYA, GALINA

REF: STATE 066962 (NOTAL)

1. LEBONOV, MANAGER/DIRECTOR NATIONAL SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA CONTACTED EMBASSY UPON ARRIVAL PARIS  
MARCH L7. HIS IMMEDIATE AND ONLY REQUEST WAS FOR  
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, WHICH WE ARRANGED.

2. IN AFTERNOON HE INFORMED CONGEN OF HIS AND  
ROSTROPOVICH'S DEEP APPRECIATION FOR ALL HELP  
GIVEN SO FAR BY USG. ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS HE  
REPORTED FOLLOWING:

A. ROSTROPOVICH HAS APPROACHED SWISS GOVERNMENT  
WITH VIEW TO OBTAINING EXPEDITIOUSLY SWISS LAISSER-  
PASSER. IT WAS BELIEVED SWITZERLAND, AS NEUTRAL  
COUNTRY, WOULD APPEAR MOST LOGICAL ONE FOR HIM TO  
TURN TO FOR SUCH SERVICE. THESE APPROACHES WERE  
AT PRESENT GOING ON THROUGH FRIENDS IN SWITZERLAND.  
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B. TO DATE SOVIET AUTHORITIES HAVE MADE NO  
CONTACT WITH ROSTROPOVICH; HE WAS ABOUT TO GIVE A  
PRESS BRIEFING.

C. ROSTROPOVICH'S PLAN FLIGHT TO LONDON NEXT  
MONDAY OR TUESDAY AND WERE WORKING WITH BRITISH

GOVERNMENT ON ENTRY FACILITATION.

D. SINCE ROSTROPOVICH DOES NOT PLAN TO RETURN  
TO US UNTIL MAY IT IS HOPED THAT JUSTICE/STATE  
WAIVER PASSPORT MAY NOT BE NECESSARY.

E. IN SUM, MR. LEBONOV SAID ALL WAS LOOKING  
WELL AND COULD NOT FORESEE ANY PARTICULAR PROBLEMS.  
HE SAID HE WOULD CONTACT CONGEN AGAIN ON MONDAY TO  
KEEP US INFORMED. HARTMAN

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